

# THE BULLETIN

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## HONOURING A SCHOLAR



Distinguished U.S. author and scholar Henry Louis Gates, centre, received an honorary doctor of laws degree from U of T Nov. 23. Chair of the department of Afro-American studies and director of the W.E.B. DuBois Institute at Harvard University, Gates is best known for his

nationally acclaimed 1995 memoir *Colored People*. Here, Gates is seen just before receiving his degree. He is flanked by Professor George Elliott Clarke of English and Mary Anne Chambers, vice-chair of Governing Council.

## TAs Set Dec. 22 Strike Deadline

BY JANE STIRLING

U OF T'S 2,500 TEACHING assistants have set Dec. 22 as a strike deadline. If no agreement is reached by this date, pickets will go up Jan. 3.

At a union meeting Nov. 23 there was "overwhelming support" for a strike deadline of Dec. 22 from the more than 200 members present, said Mikael Swayze, chief negotiator of the TA's union, CUPE 3902. "There was an extensive and very vigorous debate on when to set the deadline. Our members were more than prepared to go out Dec. 2 but they chose Dec. 22. They felt it important to form solidarity with the undergraduate students so as not to disrupt their exam schedules."

Professor Ian Orchard, vice-provost (students), said he is hopeful the two sides can reach a settlement before Dec. 22. The university has said it will not lock out employees until they go on strike.

The administration and union bargaining teams will meet with mediator Bill Lloyd Nov. 30 to try to reach an agreement. While no further mediation sessions have been planned beyond Nov. 30, the two sides could continue meeting if progress is made. If a settlement is not reached by the strike deadline, the union says it will inform its members to cease work — including marking exams — on Dec. 22.

At a rally and information picket attended by more than 100 people Nov. 24 in front of Simcoe Hall, Swayze said he is already signing up eager recruits for picket duty. "We have over 200 signed up and I've got more names coming in by e-mail," he said.

CUPE 3902 is asking for tuition waivers, wage parity with TAs at York University, job security and a dental/health care plan, among other proposals.

In an open letter to students, Orchard notes the total cost of TA proposals — including a 22 per cent wage increase for doctoral students and 54 per cent increase for senior undergraduates — would increase the overall TA budget by 80 per cent, or over \$12 million a year. "To put this into context, this amount would enable the university to hire approximately 160 new faculty

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## U of T Considers Suburban Expansion

BY SUZANNE SOTO

SHOULD THE UNIVERSITY OF Toronto — already Canada's largest — continue to grow? If so, in which of its three campuses? And by how many students?

These are just some of the questions explored in a document newly released to principals and deans for discussion and debated at a Nov. 18 meeting of Governing

Council's planning and budget committee.

Written by Deputy Provost Carolyn Tuohy, the Discussion Paper on Enrolment Expansion at U of T states that, yes, the university could definitely grow, by as much as 100 per cent at its two suburban campuses.

This suggestion, however, was met with a number of concerns at the planning and budget meeting.

They ranged from such expansion resulting in duplication of research and a "fractured" graduate program to the need for better communication links and transportation between all three campuses.

The discussion paper makes it very clear that any decision to admit more students will only be made if such expansion allows the university to further its mission

and preserve its essential character. As such, it says that expansion will only take place if the provincial government provides appropriate operating and capital funds.

"We must assume funding as a necessary condition for expansion," Tuohy told planning and budget.

Graduate Students' Union

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## Marrus to Join Vatican WWII Probe

BY MEGAN EASTON

PROFESSOR MICHAEL MARRUS, dean of the School of Graduate Studies, is the only Canadian recently appointed to an international team of Jewish and Catholic scholars who will review the Catholic Church's role in the Second World War.

Marrus said he is optimistic that the joint examination of the Vatican's archival material on the war will shed new light on old questions. "There has been a long-standing dispute and polemics back and forth on this," he said. "So I see this as real progress because it's happening with the blessing of the Vatican and at a time when there is much more discussion of these issues."

Marrus will be meeting with his



Professor Michael Marrus

collaborators — three Catholic scholars from the United States, one Jewish scholar from Israel and

one from Belgium — in December in New York to discuss how the project will proceed. He said the

study of the Vatican materials will likely lead the researchers to other documents as they work towards full disclosure on the subject. "I think this meeting of six historians will be part of a longer-term process in which the historical record becomes more thoroughly examined."

Marrus has written extensively on modern European history and the Holocaust. Among other books, he is the author of *The Holocaust in History* and *The Nuremberg War Crimes Trial 1945-46: A Documentary History*.

The Vatican's Commission for Religious Relations With the Jews and the International Jewish Committee for Interreligious Consultations announced the collaborative project Nov. 23.



## IN BRIEF



### Mouré new Jack McClelland writer-in-residence

MONTREAL POET ERIN MOURÉ HAS BEEN NAMED THE 2000 Jack McClelland writer-in-residence for a four-month period beginning in January. During her term Mouré will conduct a non-credit seminar for students — the Practice of Poetry — as well as give public readings on all three campuses. She will also hold office hours at Massey College when students interested in creative writing may consult with her. Author of 10 books, Mouré's collection *Furious* won the Governor General's Award for poetry in 1988; *Empire, York Street* was short-listed for the award in 1979 and *Search Procedures* in 1996. Sarah Ellis, an award-winning B.C. children's author, was the first writer in the Jack McClelland Writer-in-Residence program, established at Massey College in 1999; a writer-in-residence program has been in existence at U of T since 1965.

### UTM receives donation of scientific research collection

THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO AT MISSISSAUGA HAS RECEIVED A generous donation of scientific journals and monographs from Bodycote Ortech Inc., located in Mississauga's Sheridan Science and Technology Park. Appraised at \$350,000 the collection includes 136 runs of journals in chemistry, environmental sciences, biotechnology and pharmaceutical development and materials science as well as approximately 2,000 monographs. Some of the journals will allow UTM to complete or extend coverage for titles currently held, while others are new to the library and some to U of T as a whole. The gift will also provide the library with opportunities to extend its outreach to the business community through co-operative loans and service arrangements — an initiative being developed.

### Munroe-Blum appointed to expert panel

PROFESSOR HEATHER MUNROE-BLUM, VICE-PRESIDENT (RESEARCH and international relations), has been invited to serve on the Expert Panel on Canada's Role in International Science and Technology. Comprised of research experts from around the world, the panel will make recommendations to the Prime Minister's Advisory Council on Science and Technology on means of strengthening Canada's participation in international science and international research networks.

## AWARDS & HONOURS



### Faculty of Medicine

PROFESSORS ANTHONY LEVITT OF PSYCHIATRY AND Russell Joffe of McMaster University received the Mood Disorders Association of Ontario Award of Excellence for the development of a toll-free information service called DIRECT (depression information, resource and education toll-free). The award was presented and the association's annual general meeting.

PROFESSOR NIZAR MAHOMED OF SURGERY WAS THE winner of the 1999 Canadian Orthopaedic Research & Education Foundation's Young Investigator Award,

given to an investigator who is within first five years of performing independent research. Mahomed received the award for his project on the valuation of commonly used hip scoring systems.

PROFESSORS JOEL SADAVOY AND KENNETH SHULMAN of psychiatry were two of six international scholars to be presented awards for outstanding contributions to psychogeriatrics at the congress of the International Psychogeriatric Association, held in Vancouver. Nominations were submitted by the Canadian Academy of Geriatric Psychiatry after a national vote.

## U of T Relaunches Home Page

THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO'S main Web site got a long-overdue makeover this month.

The new Web page is a big change from the old, with rotating collages of university scenes replacing the one familiar picture of Croft Chapter House; simplified navigation to the content that users need; and a summary of the latest campus news.

Development of the university's Web presence is overseen by the U of T home page committee, a group with representatives from across campus. In October the university appointed Bruce Rolston of the department of public affairs as the new manager of Web and information services to help put the committee's plans into practice.

"November marked five years since the first version of the Netscape browser became widely available," Rolston said. "For over four of those years, [utoronto.ca](http://utoronto.ca) has remained virtually the same. The committee felt it was time to do something different."

There are currently six different photo collages on the front page,

with a new one coming up every 20 minutes. "The new collages allow us to show a range of images from all three campuses and show off our people as well as our buildings. That seems appropriate in a university that prides itself on its great minds," he added.

The new site, in conjunction with public affairs' new news and events.utoronto.ca site, offers the campus the potential of up-to-date campus news. Rolston said that in the case of major, fast-developing campus issues, such as a labour disruption or Y2K, the Web could prove an invaluable news source.

Feedback in the first two weeks on the new site has been generally positive. The one main criticism — the increase of load time produced by the Web site's new features — is being taken very seriously by Rolston and the home page committee. The resulting refinements have decreased the load time at the user's end by 25 per cent over just the first two weeks.

"Obviously no Web page can ever be too fast. But compared with sites for other universities and

other similar-sized institutions, we are, if not the fastest, at least firmly in the middle of the pack," Rolston noted. "But people had flagged it as a concern right off and so we responded."

Rolston now wants to turn to some of the many other campus' Web needs. "First off, we're going to continue to develop the news and events site. People can enter listings on it from their own computers via the Web. It gives us the backbone in place for the first comprehensive cross-campus, day-by-day listing of what's going on here."

Also in the works for the spring are plans to provide more information for prospective students, who make up a large part of the home site's traffic, possibly including a "virtual campus tour" to allow users to see views of the campus from anywhere in the world.

The home page committee will also look at the new Webmail-related applications, which other universities are beginning to use to offer students and staff Web pages personalized to their interests.

## ON THE INTERNET

### FEATURED SITE

#### A role in addiction research



AFFILIATED WITH THE University of Toronto, the Centre for Addiction & Mental Health was created in the spring of 1998 through the amalgamation of the Addiction Research Foundation, the

Clarke Institute of Psychiatry, the Donwood Institute and the Queen Street Mental Health Centre. Part of its mandate is to provide a provincial role in addiction and mental health research, education and policy development. Its Web site is an excellent source of information and resource materials for health care professionals, students and the general public involved in the prevention and treatment of addiction and mental health problems. It includes news releases, statistics, information on community services and the online version of *The Journal of Addiction and Mental Health*, which is definitely worth reviewing. The centre strives to empower its clients through its delivery of services, resources and client-centred philosophy of care. Clients are assessed as whole persons with social, physical, emotional, spiritual and psychological needs and who, wherever possible, will make informed choices about their care.

<http://www.camh.net>

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### SITES OF INTEREST

#### What's happening at U of T

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS HAS RECENTLY launched a comprehensive guide to daily news and events listings at the university. News stories are constantly updated and can be viewed by areas of interest (eg. campus news, medicine, business, humanities). There's also a search engine and news archive. Public events listings can be searched by date and keyword. Should you want to publicize an event, there's an electronic submission form, just a mouse click away.

<http://www.newsandevents.utoronto.ca>

#### Not for bookworms only

THE HALCYON IS THE NEWSLETTER OF THE FRIENDS OF THE Thomas Fisher Rare Book Library. Published twice a year, it includes short articles on recent noteworthy gifts and acquisitions, recent exhibitions and activities at the library. There are some fascinating and delightful articles such as Patent Medicine Collection and The Art of Cookery, Made Plain and Easy. By a Lady — featuring the most famous cookbook of the 18th century.

<http://www.library.utoronto.ca/development/news/halcyon/>



# U of T Seeks \$100 Million from SuperBuild Fund

BY SUSAN BLOCH-NEVITTE

U OF T IS ASKING THE ONTARIO government for more than \$100 million from the province's SuperBuild Growth Fund to help support seven priority capital projects.

Announced in the 1999 Ontario budget, the fund will pump \$660 million into post-secondary capital projects that help expand the capacity of Ontario colleges and universities.

"These capital projects are critically important to us," said President Robert Prichard. "They are essential infrastructure for the 21st century and central to our academic planning. This is the first major infusion of capital funding for universities in nearly a decade and it will help us remain competitive in teaching and research."

In its submission to the provincial government, U of T is seeking \$26.7 million for the Bahen Centre for Information Technology. The centre will house the majority of the nearly 2,000 new students in information technology programs at U of T resulting from the government's Access to Opportunity Program (ATOP). The \$88 million project

of Medicine, Pharmacy and Applied Science and Engineering. The facility will house more than 200 graduate students, post-doctoral students and research visitors. The second building will provide expanded facilities for the Faculty of Pharmacy, enabling it to significantly increase its undergraduate enrolment. Currently, some two-thirds of the province's newly licensed pharmacists are being trained out-of-province or out-of-country.

An additional \$24.8 million is being sought from the fund for half of the anticipated renovation costs of the Banting Institute and Faculty of Nursing building to provide improved space for occupational therapy, physical therapy and nursing and to accommodate enrolment growth in these programs. The funds would also support expansion of the Gerstein Science Information Centre.

SuperBuild funds are also being sought for the Munk Centre for International Studies as well as for the Academic Resource Centre at U of T at Scarborough. A U of T priority for five years, the Scarborough centre has become even more important given the campus' ATOP enrolment expansion. The university is seeking \$9 million from the SuperBuild Fund for this project.

Advances in technologies for classroom instruction, coupled with the limitations of such large-scale lecture sites as Convocation Hall, are prompting the university to seek \$11 million from the fund to support a classroom suite complex. The facility would have full electronic capability and capacity for up to 2,500 students.

In a separate funding category, U of T is also seeking \$16 million for a \$21 million School of Communication, Culture and Information Technology at U of T Mississauga. One of the key areas for potential enrolment growth at UTM is a proposed joint first-entry program with Sheridan College. The program would have a total enrolment of 1,200 students with U of T's component as well as UTM's ATOP enrolment housed in the new facility.

The provincial government will likely notify colleges and universities of the allocation of SuperBuild Growth funds early in the new year.

## COST-CUTTING CUISINE



Marilli Martyn demonstrates the fine art of cooking nutritious meals on a tight budget. At a Nov. 17 workshop, Martyn shared practical tips and simple recipes with a number of participants ranging from students to administrative staff. The presentation was sponsored by the family care office.

JEWEL RANDOLPH

## Other Campus Unions Given Strike Mandates

BY SUZANNE SOTO

THE NEW YEAR COULD SEE more than teaching assistants striking at U of T as over a dozen union locals attempt to negotiate new contracts with the administration. Negotiators remain optimistic but admit that most of the labour groups and the university remain "very far apart," particularly on monetary issues.

"We always hope things go well, of course, but it remains to be seen — we're very far apart, very far apart" said Brian Marshall, the university's director of human resources.

Some unions, he said, have asked for 16 per cent pay raises over two years; the administration has offered them annual increases of between one and one and a half per cent over the next three years.

The United Steelworkers of America, Local 1998, is the largest of the locals currently in negotiations. It represents about 2,500

full-time administrative staff and 1,500 casual workers including lab assistants and graphic artists. With the aid of a provincial conciliator, the local's bargaining team has spent the last month trying to negotiate a first contract with the administration.

The Steelworkers had hoped to have a contract before the Christmas break but Fil Falbo, the union's Toronto co-ordinator, said contract talks have not moved either side closer to an agreement.

"There are still many major issues that we have to deal with," Falbo said. "We've made some progress on job security but I don't think anyone should interpret that as that we're any closer to resolution on the issue." The union has also presented the university with "economic proposals" that include a "fairer pay structure": "The current pay structure, which relies heavily on a merit system, is not making our members very happy."

Falbo added that depending on

how conciliation progressed over the next couple of weeks, the local would consider asking its members for a strike mandate.

The Canadian Union of Public Employees' locals 1230 (library technicians, shelveers); 3907 (graduate assistants at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education of the University of Toronto); and 3261 (custodians, groundskeepers); as well as Local 578 of the Ontario Public Service Employees Union (OISE/UT research officers) have all asked their members for strike mandates and received them.

Some of the other unions that will soon be seeking U of T contracts include: Local 2001 of the Canadian Labour Congress (operating engineers); Local 27 of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Carpenters and Allied Workers; and Local 235 of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers.



President Robert Prichard

has already secured funds from Ontario Research and Development Challenge Fund, the Canada Foundation for Innovation and the private sector — including \$6 million from Toronto benefactors and U of T alumni John and Margaret Bahen.

Another \$32 million is being sought from the SuperBuild Fund for the \$120 million Health Science Complex. One of the two buildings in the complex will accommodate the Centre for Cellular and Biomolecular Research, with collaboration between the faculties

## Library Receives Works of Nobel Prize-Winning Author

BY JILL RUTHERFORD

THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO has acquired the manuscripts of Derek Walcott, the world-renowned Caribbean author and 1992 Nobel laureate in literature. The University of the West Indies, which possesses Walcott's earlier works, encouraged the U of T acquisition which will be housed in the university's Thomas Fisher Rare Book Library.

"The University of the West Indies has a tradition of close collaboration with the University of Toronto which has an excellent reputation as a major research centre," said Professor Rex Nettleford, vice-chancellor of the University of the West Indies.

"I am delighted that the works of one of our most famous authors will not only be available to present and future scholars but also more accessible to the large and

vibrant West Indian community here in Toronto."

Walcott, a poet, playwright, essayist, painter, theatre director and teacher, was born in St. Lucia in 1930. He has published over a dozen books of poetry, including his narrative poem *Omeros*.

The U of T collection is diverse, including rough drafts, revisions, galleys of publications and watercolours and drawings related to Walcott's poems, plays and

film scripts. The universities will exchange copies of Walcott's material for the benefit of researchers at both institutions.

"The combination and calibre of Walcott's visual and written art is unique among contemporary authors," said Carole Moore, U of T's chief librarian.

"This acquisition confirms U of T's commitment to this area of study and to strengthening our connections with the West

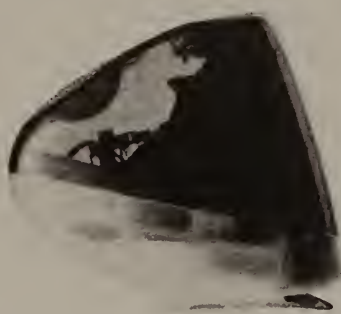
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The acquisition was assisted by an anonymous donation of \$100,000. The library is currently seeking more support for ongoing and future acquisitions for the Walcott archive.

Walcott's papers complement those of another prominent West Indian poet Lorna Goodison, whose manuscripts are already housed in the Thomas Fisher library.



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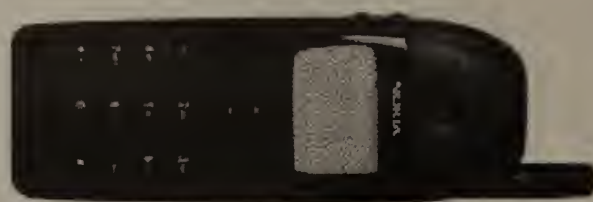
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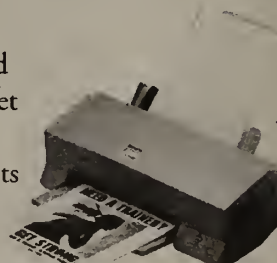
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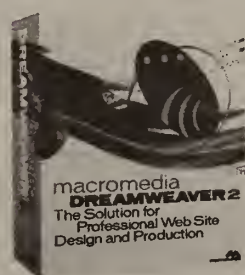
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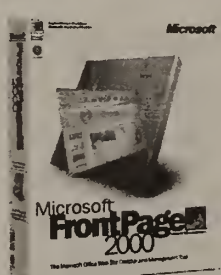
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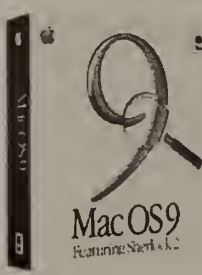
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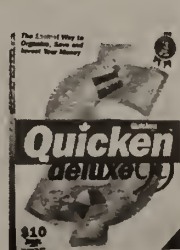
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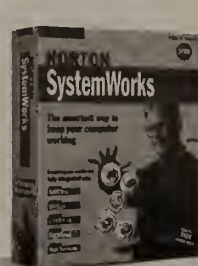
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# RELOCATION MADE EASY

*Family care office plays key role in faculty recruitment*

BY JILL RUTHERFORD

IT COULD BE FINDING SCHOOLS FOR THE kids, help with moving ... or maybe a good vet for the family cat. Whatever it takes to lure top new faculty to the University of Toronto, Jan Nolan of the family care office is ready to take it on. Just don't talk to her about the so-called "brain drain" of "star" faculty to the United States; the fact is, most people stay — and for good reason.

"It's a really wonderful time to come to U of T," Nolan says. "Whole segments of the university are being transformed over the next five years. And that gives new faculty coming here a chance to shape how the university will be in the next 20. It's a whole new wave, the likes of which we haven't seen since the 1960s. As for our 'stars,' a lot of them have stayed and we have to keep celebrating that fact."

Professor Carolyn Tuohy, deputy provost, keeps track of the numbers of new faculty. With the stated goal of hiring up to 500 new faculty over the next few years, almost 130 tenured and tenure-stream faculty were brought on in 1998-1999 to replace retiring faculty and to fill other vacant positions. There are another 172 searches currently being conducted. Of those hired, 30 per cent were from U of T, 23 per cent were from other Canadian universities and 47 per cent from international schools. Of the latter, a full 40 per cent were from the United States.

"It's a very, very competitive market," Tuohy says.

Approached two years ago by Provost Adel Sedra to play a stronger role in the recruitment of new faculty, Nolan has met personally with candidates from different faculties and departments to discuss the practical aspects of living and working in Toronto and at U of T.



Jan Nolan, family care adviser.

"One of the most asked questions we receive is about moving: 'How do I move myself and my family to Toronto?'" Nolan says. "But definitely housing, education and immigration questions are the biggest. It's important that they know they will have support available so that when they do move, all these things will be smoothed over and they can just come here and do the things they are hired to do."

Her crowded office in the Koffler Student Services Centre has produced a comprehensive information package for prospective new faculty. It outlines the key programs and services offered at U of T from assistance with relocation to help with the mortgage, referrals for child care to services for the elderly. It's all part of making potential new faculty feel more welcome in the university community — and help tip the

balance in their decision to accept a position here.

"We're very Canadian at U of T in that we aren't used to crowing about who we are; we just assumed that everyone knew how wonderful we were. The attitude now is that we need to help faculties make people aware of what we have to offer."

The big competition, of course, lies south of the border. In the United States, salaries, especially in some fields such as computer engineering, are significantly higher than offered at U of T. But it's not always a simple question of more money.

"Quality of life issues are our strength; if you want to get rich, there are other places you can go to. We need to talk about the broader issues such as health care, maternity leave, safer neighbourhoods. These issues are important to families."

One faculty she knows makes a point of taking prospective candidates on a walking tour of downtown Toronto — at 11 p.m. That alone has been known to impress more than one candidate. People move for all kinds of reasons; the trick, Nolan says, is to listen and not just make assumptions based on such "surface" data as their current position or how much money they make.

"Sometimes they come because the structure of the university gives them more freedom. Sometimes it's because Toronto is a good city in which to live. Or maybe they want to replicate a positive experience they had earlier in their careers. The fact is, there is a whole range of things that could possibly motivate faculty to relocate here and if you just stay on the surface, you can miss these things."

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# TAs Set Dec. 22 Strike Deadline

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members. It would be fiscally irresponsible of the university to accept these demands. Indeed, the offer made by the university of increases of 1.5 per cent a year for each of three years is in line with that received by faculty members in their recent round of bargaining."

Professor Michael Finlayson,

vice-president (administration and human resources), said the university is concerned that certain proposals such as tuition waivers would create two categories of graduate students — those with and those without such benefits. U of T has about 10,000 graduate students, of which about 25 per cent are TAs.

Meanwhile, a number of other U of T unions have recently received strike mandates from their members. This situation could help the TAs' cause, Swayze noted in an interview.

"If we all end up on strike at the same time, we'll be united together and the university will have trouble operating."

# U of T Considers Suburban Expansion

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spokesperson Chris Borst was even more specific. "We go so far as to recommend to you [that] should the government give funding that is anything less than full and comprehensive, that we simply refuse altogether to increase our enrolment."

The discussion paper, to be distributed to the general campus community as a supplement in the Dec. 13 issue of *The Bulletin*, says that over the next decade the University of Toronto will be "under inexorably strong pressure to expand enrolment." Responding effectively to this pressure will be one of the greatest challenges — but also opportunities — faced by the university.

Demographic changes that will see more adults interested in post-secondary education and the elimination of Grade 13 by 2003 are just two of the factors expected to lead to a 40 per cent surge in demand for university admission. This could translate into as many as 90,000 more students seeking entry to Ontario universities over the next few years.

U of T, however, will admit more students "only in those areas in which it allows for an improvement of the educational

experience," the paper says. "And the pattern of expansion must not yield unintended distortions in the overall balance across levels and areas of study."

Because downtown Toronto's St. George Campus already has 40,000 students and further expansion there would lead to all types of congestion, growth should first take place at the Scarborough and Mississauga campuses. The paper suggests enrolment increases of both 60 and 100 per cent be considered.

Professor Michael Marrus, dean of the School of Graduate Studies, pointed out that doubling enrolment on the suburban campuses would require hiring more faculty. Those faculty members would expect to have graduate students as an integral part of their teaching responsibilities and he wondered if this would lead to duplication of research on the three campuses.

"If we double enrolment at the suburban campuses, I think we will have an increasingly fractured and divided graduate studies," Marrus said. "I'm concerned that dispersal will become the rule."

Professor Ray Cummins of botany at Mississauga said other, external factors will also have to be considered, such as the need to

vastly improve both communication with and transportation to the satellite campuses.

The discussion paper itself names two constraints to growth that will also have to be weighed. The Faculty of Arts and Science is now considering eliminating the 15-credit bachelor of arts degree. This will mean that more students will spend an extra year at U of T, leading to "an automatic increase in enrolment for which we must receive commensurate resources," the paper says. "Without such additional resources we will have to reduce admissions to keep enrolment steady."

The other constraint is that while the university is striving to recruit more students from the rest of Canada and abroad, most future students will continue to come from Ontario and specifically the Greater Toronto Area. "This would run counter to our existing strategy of somewhat greater geographic diversity," the paper notes.

However, it adds, one way the university could deal with these constraints would be by enhancing and expanding its academic offerings in the summer.

The paper will be discussed next at the Dec. 2 meeting of Academic Board.

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## PROFILE

# EDUCATING THE SOUL

*A U of T professor says it's time we paid more attention to our spiritual selves*

By JILL RUTHERFORD

PREMIER MIKE HARRIS MAY NOT know it but his Common Sense Revolution may just be the unintended spur for a renewed interest in the spiritual life in this province.

"The current political and economic climate here in Ontario is just so narrow," says Professor Jack Miller of the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education of the University of Toronto. "People are really starting to question whether that's all there is. Harris seems to think that the main reason for education is just getting a job. Obviously a job is important, but it's a lot more than that."

But Miller, who teaches graduate courses to experienced teachers on how to integrate spiritual practice into the classroom, thinks universities are also at fault for dismissing the value of spiritual aspects of learning.

He argues that in society's eagerness to strip away superstition and religious dogma, another kind of dogma has been established: the supremacy of science and technology over all other ways of knowing and being. The difficulty, he says, is that what is now seen to be "true" and "real" is only that which can be scientifically measured. And that leaves out a broad range of human experience.

"We are not just intellectual beings. The intellect is very important but it needs to be connected to other experiences," he says.

A native of Kansas City, Mo., Miller was raised in a traditional Christian home. However, with the escalation of the Vietnam War in the mid-1960s, Miller — who objected to



the war — increasingly sought spiritual guidance not from mainstream churches but from yoga and Eastern philosophies. After earning a BA in economics from the University of Missouri and an MA in education from Harvard University, Miller left the States and came to Canada in 1969. He received his doctorate in education from OISE/UT in 1971.

Despite his appreciation for Eastern philosophies, Miller's understanding of spirituality is still very much influenced by American transcendentalists such as Emerson, Whitman and Thoreau. By spirituality, he means an awareness of a connection to something larger than ourselves. By spiritual practice,

he means meditating — at least 15 to 20 minutes a day. The goal, he notes, is to achieve "a relaxed alertness" so that practitioners can become more attentive, more focused, in their daily lives. And that, he says, leads to better teachers and better learning.

But how does meditation make people more "open"? Those who take the time to be still and meditate, he argues, have a greater capacity for self-inquiry and self-awareness. And that, he says, makes it easier for teachers to listen to others. Such qualities are all too "rare" in a society where everyone is on the go.

Challenged as to how he would bring a spiritual approach to an economics class, for example, Miller argues that universities could be more open to alternative economic theories — such as E.F. Schumacher's *Small is Beautiful* or Kirkpatrick Sale's *Human Scale*. Students would then have "a

connection to economics that was not just through the market."

The search for alternatives and a more holistic and integrated approach to being human, Miller says, has never been more important in a world where there is a perceived closing down of choices in the wake of globalizing economic forces. "There is a real danger when society represses the spiritual life. We pay a huge price in terms of the physical, emotional and spiritual life of people," he notes.

"I'm sure there are people who think I'm a quack, but in my own department I've had nothing but support. I try to avoid the whole 'New Age' thing and try to support whatever I am saying by referring to the literature. It's not just 'feel-good' stuff."

JEWEL RANDOLPH

## MOPITT Ready to Launch Into Orbit

By JANET WONG

A TEAM OF SCIENTISTS AND researchers led by Professor Jim Drummond of U of T's physics department will see their work literally go out of this world next month.

The Measurements of Pollution in the Troposphere (MOPITT) satellite instrument is tentatively

scheduled to take off from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California aboard a NASA-launched Atlas IIAS rocket Dec. 16.

Drummond's brainchild, MOPITT is the first of its kind in the world. From 705 kilometres above the Earth, it will provide scientists and researchers with global measurements of atmospheric pollution by calibrating the level of

methane and carbon monoxide in the Earth's troposphere.

"It's the first time that we will have comprehensive, global measurements of these gases and their movements," said Drummond. "It's the first time that we'll have information on global pollution over this long a period of time."

Methane and carbon monoxide are closely associated with global

warming and the greenhouse effect. Over the long term, scientists and environmentalists will be able to use MOPITT's data to predict the continuing effects of atmospheric pollution and evaluate the effectiveness of pollution controls worldwide.

They will also be able to observe the gases' effect on climate; the relationship between urban sprawl,

deforestation and global warming; and whether or not stricter emission controls have led to less atmospheric pollution.

MOPITT — which will pass over every location on the globe every four days and has a projected orbital lifetime of five years — detects infrared radiation coming from the atmosphere and compares and correlates it with its own data.

Developed by Drummond under contract from the Canadian Space Agency and built by the high-tech company COM DEV of Cambridge, Ont., the instrument is part of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's EOS (Earth observation system) AM-1 satellite. Known as the Terra mission, EOS will provide scientists on Earth with a total picture of the interconnection and relationship between the Earth's lands, oceans, climate, atmosphere and people. It will be the first time that a complete picture of the Earth will be provided in such detail.

As for seeing the culmination of his work go into space, Drummond — who has spent more than a decade on the project — said he is looking forward to the launch but admits that "it's also scary. You're seeing 14 years of work sitting on top of a rocket," he joked.

He will be in California Dec. 16 to see MOPITT and Terra lift off.

## More Teens Smoking, Study Shows

By STEVEN DE SOUSA

THE NUMBER OF TEENAGERS smoking in Ontario is on the rise, largely because retailers continue to turn a blind eye when it comes to selling cigarettes to minors, says a new report from the Ontario Tobacco Research Unit at the University of Toronto.

According to the report, cigarettes have become more accessible than ever for minors. Since 1995, retailers have been asking fewer smokers under the age of 15 for photo ID when they attempt to buy cigarettes, with gas stations and chain convenience stores being the worst offenders.

"If we want to make a dent in the number of kids and adults smoking, we have to make tobacco products much less available," said Roberta

Ferrence, director of the research unit at U of T and a senior scientist at the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health.

The report, Monitoring Ontario's Tobacco Strategy, examined smoking patterns and attitudes in the province and includes some results of the Ontario Student Drug Use Survey recently released by the centre. Based on results of the student survey, the smoking rate among youth in grades 7, 9, 11 and 13 has risen to 28 per cent this year from 22 per cent in 1991. Following a decade of decline from 1981 to 1991, smoking has increased for both young males and females.

Researchers also found that 21 per cent of adults smoke every day, a significant decrease from 27 per cent in 1995. Just over half of adult smokers are contemplating quitting

or actively preparing to quit. Men who smoke daily consume about 20 cigarettes per day, an average of four more than women.

Ferrence credits the provincial government for its efforts in tobacco control through its commitment earlier this year of an additional \$10 million to the Ontario Tobacco Strategy. However, she said public education campaigns and other programs are not likely to have a significant impact — particularly among minors — as long as cigarettes remain cheap and readily available. Despite the recent provincial tax increase on cigarettes, tobacco products are still cheaper in Ontario than anywhere else in North America, including the tobacco producing states in the U.S.

Tobacco use will not drop, Ferrence said, unless there is a

"serious increase" in cigarette taxes, a reduction in the number and kinds of outlets where cigarettes can be purchased, the elimination of tobacco company sponsorship and the implementation of "comprehensive restrictions" on smoking at work and in public places.

Smoking kills almost 12,000 people in Ontario each year and is estimated to cost the provincial government over \$3.7 billion annually, including more than \$1 billion in health care costs and \$2.6 billion in loss of productivity due to premature death and disability. This report is the fifth in an annual series monitoring progress towards the objectives of the Ontario Tobacco Strategy, established by the provincial government in 1993 to provide a comprehensive program to reduce tobacco use in the province.



# RESEARCH ETHICS

*U of T expands office dedicated to ensuring campus studies adhere to standards*

BY CHRISTINA MARSHALL

IS LEARNING ABOUT WETLANDS BY computer simulation more effective for bachelor of education students than a traditional field trip to the bogs?

When Sandra McEwan, a graduate student in the OISE/UT master of education program, decided to find out by researching various teaching techniques this fall, her proposal — because it would involve human subjects — had to undergo a new ethical review process. Instead of being assessed within OISE/UT, her research plan was examined by a central committee administered by a newly expanded ethics review department within the office of research and international relations.

The six-member ethics review office, headed by Judith Chadwick, reviews all studies that are to involve human subjects to ensure they adhere to proper standards and guidelines set out in a new Tri-Council Policy Statement on Ethical Conduct for Research Involving Humans.

Issued a year ago by the three major funding agencies — the Medical Research Council, the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council — the policy addresses such matters as the safety and confidentiality of human research subjects, the standards and procedures to be used by research ethics boards for ethics reviews and the ethical issues raised by the banking of genetic material. It also requires the university to review all graduate student research involving human subjects.

As a result of the change, the number of

submissions to the university's ethics review office is expected to almost double. Currently, about 1,100 study protocols a year are sent to the department. Implementing the new policy will increase that number to about 1,800; OISE/UT graduate studies involving human



*Sandra McEwan, a graduate student in the OISE/UT*

subjects are expected to account for about 500 of these additional reviews.

Despite the growing number of reviews to administer, staff at the department do not anticipate huge delays for researchers. Ethics review officer Robin Penslar predicts the transition "will not negatively impact the research community but hopefully will in fact improve it."

To enable the office to conduct its work, the university's Administrative Transitional Fund recently gave the department \$148,000 in interim funding. The money will allow the office to hire more staff: soon there will be eight administrative people in the depart-

ment, whereas in the fall of 1997 there were only three. But in addition to staff dedicated solely to this work, the reviewing of protocols of research that use human subjects involves hundreds of others on campus as well.

Prior to the new tri-council policy about 200 of the 1,000 protocols sent to the department were reviewed by five committees of volunteer experts who met once a month.

The other 900 protocols were reviewed by experts who received the studies by mail and then, in turn, mailed or e-mailed their comments to the office's administrative staff. If a protocol needed further discussion or if it was required by another funding agency, the ethical reviewers would then also convene. The tri-council policy, however, requires all of the reviews to be conducted face-to-face. This will involve creating about 20 more review committees, each consisting of at least five members, to add to the five committees already established.

Professor John Simpson of sociology has been participating in the review process for about 15 years. Currently co-chair of the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health research ethics board, he has participated on both standing and ad hoc ethics committees. He explains moving to a standing committee, face-to-face situation is an approach that "will improve the standard to some extent because you will have an opportunity to come to consensus on protocols."

In addition to bringing the university more in line with the procedural requirements expected in the international community, the new tri-council policy is expected to have a positive impact on the ethical review process at the university's eight fully affiliated teaching hospitals. "This is all very timely — it's coinciding with the harmonization effort that's going on between the university and the hospitals," says Chadwick.

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# CROSS-BORDER SCHOLARSHIP

*New centre dedicated to the study of the United States*

By KIM LUKE

THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO HAS EXTENDED ITS international reach with Canada's first comprehensive university centre dedicated to the study of the United States. And Professor Rob Vipond, chair of political science and director of the new Centre for the Study of the United States, thinks it is long overdue.

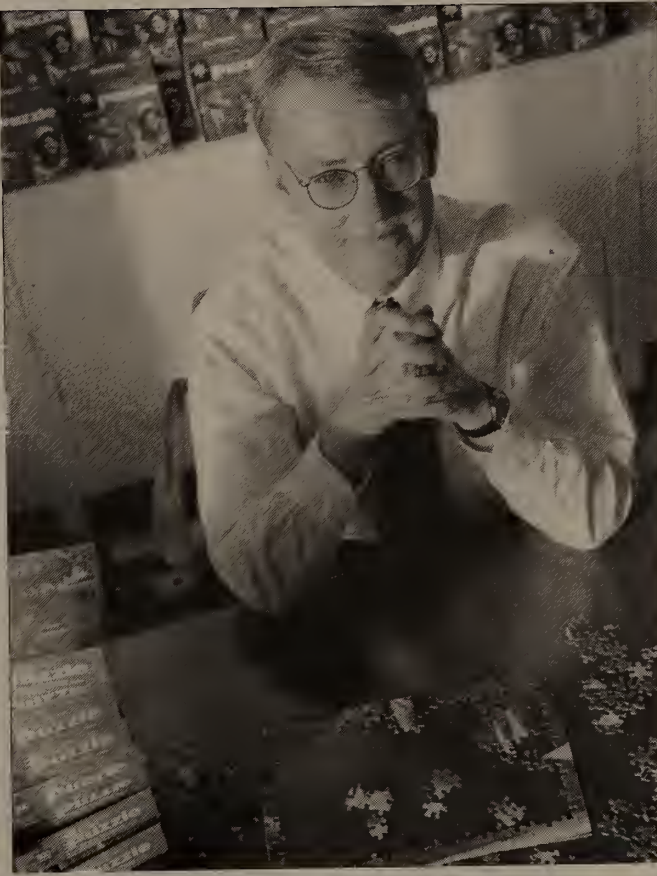
"It is curious, even bizarre, that there has not been such an academic centre for the study of the United States in Canada," he says, noting that other countries have them. Great Britain, for example, has centres devoted to the United States in both London and Oxford.

But there is an even more compelling need for a comprehensive academic centre in Canada where the consequences of American developments — be they economic, political, social or cultural — are so enormous. "Eighty per cent of Canada's trade is with the U.S. and we bathe in symbols of American culture from Mickey Mouse to Coca-Cola."

Simply being inundated with American media and popular culture does not mean that Canadians actually understand America very well. Vipond says the single most important goal of the teaching and research program of centre is to give Canadians a much better appreciation of the nuances and subtleties of the United States.

"The most pernicious stereotype is that America is a monolith — that the U.S. is uniformly good or bad. We're interested in breaking down some of those stereotypes to understand, for instance, the diversity of race, region and religion that makes America incredibly complex."

The new centre, to be housed in the Munk Centre for International Studies, will provide a focal point for scholars in all disciplines to exchange ideas and work more closely together.



Professor Rob Vipond with one of the 500 puzzles commemorating John F. and Jackie Kennedy's final trip to Dallas, recently donated to the centre by Joel Starkman, president of Product Art Inc.

Professor Carl Amrhein, dean of the Faculty of Arts and Science, says there are already more than 50 academics across the social sciences and humanities whose research or teaching interests include significant American content. "The centre will build on this strength and serve as a magnet, attracting Americanists from around the world," he says.

The momentum is already building. An international search is about to be launched for a scholar to occupy the Bissell-Heyd-Associates Chair in American Studies. The centre is working closely with the Canada-U.S. Fulbright program to increase the reciprocal exchange of scholars. And the centre will mount an annual seminar series on a theme that cuts across the humanities, social sciences and law.

This year's theme — The U.S. in Comparative and International Perspective — includes presentations on such topics as American health care reform, the decline of American cities and the social context of anti-Vietnam war protests in Germany in the 1960s. Beyond this, the centre will also host two distinguished visiting scholars each year; both will teach intensively in the newly renovated American Studies program, a major undergraduate program in the Faculty of Arts and Science.

In five years' time Vipond predicts the new centre will be a vibrant and comprehensive research and teaching centre with a large number of undergraduate students in the American studies program, an array of internships for students, extensive faculty and student exchanges, academics engaged in cross-border research and a program that makes research accessible to those beyond U of T.

"In short, I want us to be creating a buzz in the university and in the larger community."

JEWEL RANDOLPH

## Foundation Gives \$1 Million for Parkinson's Research

*Donation is group's largest single contribution in its 35-year history*

THE PARKINSON FOUNDATION of Canada will commit \$1 million to Parkinson's disease research at the University of Toronto.

The donation is the foundation's largest single contribution to research in its 35-year history and was made possible by a commitment from an anonymous donor who earmarked the funds to support the Jack Clark Chair in Parkinson's Disease Research at U of T.

"As Canada's primary fundraising organization in the fight against

Parkinson's disease, we are delighted to make such a significant financial commitment to research," said Blair McRobie, the foundation's president and chief executive officer. "It is only through the enormous generosity of an individual who cares passionately about people with Parkinson's in Canada and worldwide, and who understands the potential of research to find the cure for this

disease, that today's announcement is possible."

The foundation's contribution will significantly enhance the

Clark, the chair will focus on basic research to find the cause and cure for Parkinson's. An international search is currently under way for the first incumbent of the chair.

"Donations of this magnitude from individuals are critical. They

bring much greater awareness of this debilitating disease. More important, this gift will strengthen the Jack Clark chair's ability to conduct research of the highest calibre

in order to develop new and better approaches to the treatment, prevention and eventual cure for Parkinson's disease," said Professor David Naylor, dean of the Faculty of Medicine.

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## UP FOR DISCUSSION

*Academic Board is viable only if it ensures adequate debate on issues, says professor*

BY FRED WILSON

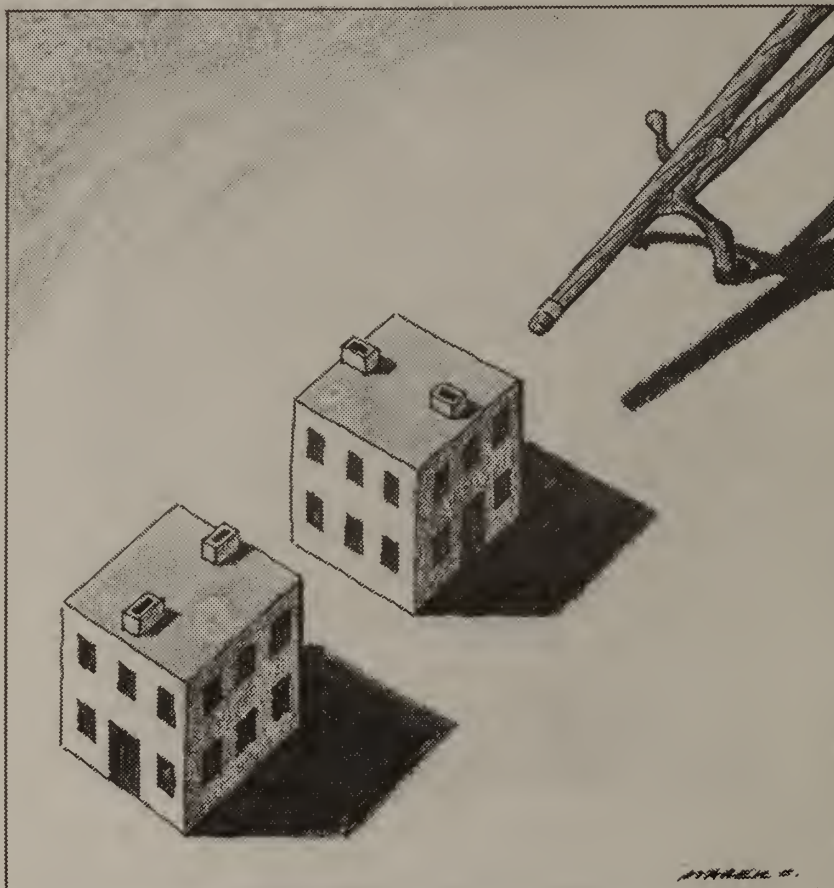
IS THERE A PLACE IN UNIVERSITY governance for that old institution of the senate or, as it is called at the University of Toronto, Academic Board? I have been asked that question many times. The answer that I give is affirmative: in the subjects in which academics teach and do research they are the experts, the professionals, and they alone are in a position to judge adequately the policies that are needed. But my answer is accompanied by a proviso: the members of a senate or academic board must themselves ensure that issues that come forward are fully debated.

Where the senate is, like our Academic Board, large, this creates special problems. The larger the size the more difficult it is to carry out the thorough and searching debate that many policy proposals require. The solution to this problem is to have much of the discussion occur in committees or special task forces. Members of our large board have the duty to ensure that issues have received the discussion they deserve before they come before the board itself. At the last meeting of Academic Board on Oct. 21, members failed in this duty and did so in a way that has a strong possibility of having a profound impact on research in the humanities and social sciences at this university.

Our university often informs itself, correctly one hopes, that the humanities and social sciences are central to its mission. That being so, then Robarts Library is a critical resource. For anyone who has used the library over the last several years, it is clear that the stacks are filling up. One can look forward to the time when the stacks are completely filled. At that point, there will have to be expansion of the library.

The only space left for such expansion is the strip of land to the rear of Robarts along Huron Street between Sussex and Harbord. Yet without the serious debate the issue requires, Academic Board voted to take this space and put it to another use — as a possible site for residence expansion.

Students and the quality of the student experience are also critical to the university's mission. In response to the pending increase in student enrolment and the need for residence space, Professor John Browne, director of residence development, chaired a task force to examine sites on the St. George campus that might be suitable for the construction of new residences. It identified a number of spaces around the campus as possibilities — it did *not*, however, discuss the space behind Robarts. Yet when the task force report came before an Oct. 19 meeting of the planning and budget committee — a committee of Academic Board — the motion to approve the sites identified included not only those proposed in the report but also the space behind Robarts.



There is no disputing the need for new residences. Equally I hope there is no disputing that there will be a need for additional space for the humanities and social sciences research collection. To which need will the space behind Robarts be devoted? Surely the issue deserves serious debate. Yet it received no consideration by Professor Browne's task force and therefore came before the planning and budget committee with no prior discussion. In particular, there had been no consultation with the chief librarian at that time. It received only minimal debate before planning and budget approved the proposal. The provost did indicate, however, that he would consult the chief librarian and report back at the next meeting.

Unfortunately, the same motion came forward to Academic Board a scant two days later. The discussion was even briefer than at planning and budget. The provost had not yet consulted with the chief librarian, nor was she asked to address the board on the issue. So the vote was taken with absolutely no understanding of the implications for the library of appropriating the Huron Street space for residence use.

Obviously somewhere along the way between the writing of Professor Browne's report and the meeting of the planning and budget committee someone somewhere in the administration, perhaps in Simcoe Hall, looked at a map and without

thinking about the implications saw the empty space behind Robarts and, perhaps because that space is near to Innis College, decided to add it to the list of spaces designated for future residences. And so the proposal was launched on its zippy little trip through the governing structure of the University of Toronto and in fact was approved by Governing Council Nov. 4.

There was another appropriation for residence space that also deserved further discussion. This is the space on back campus behind University College along the south side of Hoskins Street. It is proposed to reduce the size of the green space from two playing fields to one and to fill the northerly part of the present space with a new residence. Professor Browne's task force did discuss this proposal. But even here, issues were missed.

Just last spring Academic Board approved a plan brought forward by Vice-President Michael Finlayson called the Open Space Plan: Investing in the Landscape. This received and deserved considerable publicity, including an approving piece in *The Toronto Star*. Among the spaces approved at that time for investment and improvement was the back campus space along Hoskins Street, now being appropriated for a new residence.

Not only will half the green space that now exists be transformed into a building, but the view of the university from Hoskins will be radically changed. The present view of an open field will be almost totally blocked by the new building. A few archways through the new building will hardly provide passersby with the view of a green space that one now has and certainly not the one Academic Board approved when it accepted the open space plan.

The point is that there was no discussion in Professor Browne's report of the relative merits of the open space plan and the residence proposal. But once again, there was but desultory discussion at planning and budget and an even briefer discussion at Academic Board. Once again, the matter zipped through to Governing Council without the serious debate that could resolve the conflict among the proposed uses.

In my view Academic Board failed in its duty to ensure good governance at the university. There is no point to the board unless there is adequate debate. In both these cases the board did not ensure that debate. If the board refuses to make sure issues are fully discussed, why have it? Why not just let the administration do everything? Is that the sort of university we want?

*Fred Wilson is a professor of philosophy and former president of the University of Toronto Faculty Association.*

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## LETTERS



### A WORK OF ART?

Apparently the original plan for the graduate residence at Harbord and Spadina was for a sign reaching only to the property line, whereas to extend the sign to overhang the roadway was an afterthought. The university now claims, however, that a prestigious

architectural authority has argued that shortening the sign would be to vandalize a work of art, akin to erasing part of a painting or deleting some words from a poem. Perhaps in lengthening the sign the designers were indeed inspired by this well-known prize-winning poem:

An avant-garde bard (What a man!) Whose poetry never would scan, When asked why and how, Would reply with a bow, "We postmodernists as you can see always put as many words in the last line as we possibly can."

DAVID HUNTLEY, TORONTO

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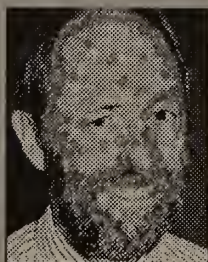
### PROGRESS THROUGH THE RANKINGS

DO YOU EVER FIND THE GOOD NEWS just never stops? Lately it's been good news story after good news story around here. For one thing we had another excellent set of marks from the *Maclean's* annual survey of Canadian universities. Not only did we finish first in our class again, but *Maclean's* also spoke nicely of our outgoing — in every sense — Robert Prichard, referring to "the university's ebullient bushy-browed president." Oh, how we're going to miss those brows when he packs up his ebullience and leaves Simcoe Hall. For many of us, those bushy brows sum up everything that is good about U of T.

We did well in most categories, but I was alarmed to see us take second place to McMaster in the Most Innovative section. Just because we've been here forever doesn't mean we're tired old fogeys. Okay, I'm a tired old fogey, but I'm an exception. Take David Boocock, for example. This is another good news story. On Oct. 28, while absolutely nothing at all was happening at McMaster (and you could check that), Professor Boocock — chair of our department of chemical engineering and applied chemistry — was driving a tractor around King's College Circle. Big deal, you say. Why, at the University of Guelph you can hardly move for tractors.

The difference, of course, is all in the fuel. Professor Boocock's tractor was fueled by waste kitchen grease siphoned from the Sandford Fleming cafeteria. Talk about innovation. What are they doing with kitchen grease at McMaster? Don't go there, as the young people say.

This new — and may I say innovative — development could have an enormous impact on all of us. Think of the possibilities in the automobile industry: test drive the new Chrysler Cholesterol! In fact I've been thinking so much about the possibilities, it's not surprising that I've been getting things muddled. When people started talking about the *Maclean's*



survey I kept thinking they were talking about the McCain's survey.

My point is this: while the tractors of other, less innovative universities guzzle great quantities of non-renewable resources, Professor Boocock's tractor is recycling kitchen grease. Perhaps soon all of U of T's vehicles will be equipped to burn grease. To simplify matters, they could possibly all generate their own fuel by cooking as they go about their business. You could flag down a U of T van at any time, night or day, and get a tasty snack. Great fries for a great future!

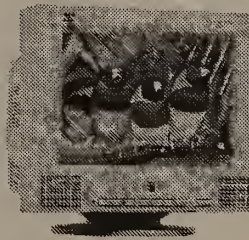
I don't know what kind of mileage the biodiesel tractor gets, but my concern is whether we can generate enough grease to fuel our entire fleet. Ironically, just as Professor Boocock is discovering terrific new ways of using kitchen grease, our students are all switching to tofu-intense diets. I for one am convinced that the healthy vegetable-heavy diet preferred by so many of our young is directly responsible for our less than entirely successful football team. Do you think they're eating tofu at Waterloo? Not on your life. Never mind; football isn't everything. But I worry that our students are not eating enough deep-fried food to fuel our tractors.

I can recall a time when even a moderate-sized university could have produced enough kitchen grease to support an entire Formula One season, but I'm not sure that's still the case. It's up to us. Let this be our watchword: would you like fries with that? If we eat enough greasy food to fuel Professor Boocock's innovative measures, we'll rise even higher in the *Maclean's* survey and the good professor will enjoy honours and awards in profusion. Otherwise, I fear the worst. If we let Professor Boocock down, it'll be goodbye Mr. Chips.

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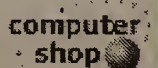
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**Binge eating, drug use related in teen study**

Teens who are binge eaters are more likely to use drugs and have poor mental health, says a U of T study.

"In looking at data from the 1997 Ontario Student Drug Use Survey we've discovered heavier and more problematic use of most drugs among young people who are binge eaters compared to non-bingers," said Professor Helen Ross of psychiatry, a scientist with the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health and co-author of the study. "Bingers also demonstrated lower self-esteem and felt more depressed."

A sample of 1,068 girls and 934 boys from grades 7, 9, 11 and 13 from public and separate schools in Ontario answered questions about their eating habits, alcohol and drug use and mental health. Based on their responses, the researchers categorized them as non-bingers, former bingers or bingers. The bingers were further divided into those who did or did not try to offset the effects of their bingeing with self-induced vomiting, laxatives or other purging behaviour, fasting or excessive exercise.

Binge eaters of both sexes who purged or otherwise compensated were the most likely to report drug use in the past year. As with students generally, alcohol, tobacco and cannabis were the favoured drugs.

Male students who compensated for their binge eating scored highest on a depression scale while females in the same category scored lowest on a measure of self-esteem. "Poor body image and a desire to lose weight are especially prevalent in girls who try to offset the effects of binge eating," Ross said. In the sample, 16 per cent of girls and five per cent of boys were classified as binge eaters who compensated.

Megan Easton

**Co-operation crucial for children of divorce**

Children can develop long-term social and emotional problems if separating parents don't work together to put their kids first, says Hanna McDonough, a lecturer in the department of psychiatry.

"Research shows that it's not the divorce that hurts children, it's the intensity of the parental conflict that

damages them. Children can feel pulled apart and drawn into acting like spies, pawns and mediators," said McDonough, also a clinical social worker with the child psychiatry program at the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health. Children need unconflicted closeness to both parents to endure the loss of the family, she said, adding that 75 percent of divorcing parents do develop co-operative parenting relationships. In very high conflict divorces, children can develop problems with aggression, anxiety and depression.

In a new book, *Putting Children First: A Guide for Parents Breaking Up* (University of Toronto Press), McDonough and co-author Christina Bartha, administrative director of the centre's mood and anxiety program, help parents understand the trauma of divorce for both adults and children and discuss how to deal with the tricky situations that arise in ways that protect the children. They also examine the causes and destructiveness of high conflict divorces. One child from their clinical practice wanted to photocopy himself so he could be with both parents while another wanted to "rewind the videotape" to the time when her parents were happily married.

For parents who are separating, McDonough has some advice — kids need both parents, change your spousal relationship into a business-parental team, give up legal terminology like custody and visitation, don't denigrate each other in front of a child and don't demonize each other.

Cheryl Sullivan

**Physicians consistent in prescribing HRT**

The majority of Ontario doctors agree on the risks and benefits of hormone replacement therapy (HRT) for women and are consistent in their reasons for prescribing it, a recent U of T study says.

There is some controversy in the medical community about the safety and effectiveness of HRT and a lack of explicit guidelines regarding its use. "Until now we didn't know how physicians practised in a climate of uncertainty with few clear recommendations regarding HRT, but this study indicates they have similar motivations and approaches in prescribing, based on the available

medical literature," said Professor Marsha Cohen of the department of health administration and the Centre for Research in Women's Health, co-author of the study.

More than 98 per cent of the respondents in the study's survey of 327 Ontario family physicians and gynecologists said the prevention of osteoporosis is an important reason for prescribing HRT; almost 90 per cent said the prevention of coronary artery disease is also a consideration. (A more recent study indicates HRT may not protect against heart disease after all, but this information was not available to physicians at the time of the survey.) The physicians cited breast cancer and a strong family history of breast cancer as the most significant reasons not to put women on HRT.

Other reasons cited for prescribing HRT include artificial or early menopause, hot flashes, mood changes and patient requests.

Megan Easton

**Securing trunk critical in ambulance transport**

Paramedics could reduce the potential of further injuries to passengers by improving standard immobilization procedures used during transport, according to a study in the journal *Spine*.

Properly immobilizing the trunk is just as crucial as securing the head, said Dr. Stephen Perry, a research fellow at Sunnybrook and Women's College Health Science Centre who led the study as a PhD student at U of T. "A commonly used method of strapping down the patient that was used in this study does not prevent the body from swinging around and could in fact lead to further cervical spine injuries." Other research has shown that up to 25 per cent of cervical

spine injuries arise or are aggravated during emergency transport and that 40 per cent of those injuries result in neurological damage.

Perry and his research team evaluated three different head immobilization techniques using a moving platform designed to simulate the swaying and jarring that can occur during ambulance transports. While one method worked better at securing the head — self-adhesive styrofoam wedges that custom fit the board to the patient — Perry said the crucial factor is restricting to the same degree mobility of the head and trunk.

"Even though some head immobilization techniques are more effective, the sheer mass of a poorly immobilized trunk swinging back and forth can cause large movements at the neck that could lead to serious injuries," he said. "Trunk immobilization has to occur in conjunction with immobilization of the head in order to reduce the motion occurring at the cervical spine."

Steven de Sousa

**Collaboration helps preserve Inuit history**

A U of T archeological team is working with an Inuit heritage organization to excavate sites that could unlock 4,000 years of history in the Canadian Arctic.

"This set of sites near the town of Cambridge Bay is among the most important in the entire Canadian Arctic," said Professor Max Friesen of anthropology. "The 28 sites, spread along only 2 1/2 kilometres of the Ekalluk River, represent the entire archeological sequence in the central Canadian Arctic."

The Kitikmeot Heritage Society — a group of Inuit elders in the Cambridge Bay area of Nunavut — began recording the area's oral history several years ago and later invited Friesen to help with that research and the excavations. The whole community will be involved in the project — elders will camp at the sites to talk about the area and discuss their memories and knowledge of Inuit history while local high school and college students will do fieldwork with U of T graduate students, excavating and helping record the oral histories. The project began this

summer and will likely last five to 10 years.

The sites are rich with artifacts from the many peoples who have inhabited the area. They hold a complete history of the Pre-Dorset, Dorset and Thule peoples from whom modern Inuit are descended. Excellent preservation of animal bones will allow researchers to reconstruct the diet of these groups and the remains of many houses — including a 38-metre long Dorset Longhouse — will offer additional clues into their lifestyles. A heritage centre and museum will be constructed in Cambridge Bay to house and display the artifacts and both academic and non-academic books will be produced from the recorded oral histories and the excavations.

Cheryl Sullivan

**Theatre influenced authors**

The works of some of America's most eminent writers were influenced to a large degree by the theatre of the day, says a U of T English professor.

In *The Portable Theater: American Literature & the Nineteenth-Century Stage* (Johns Hopkins University Press), Ackerman, who teaches both English and drama, argues that the work of Walt Whitman, Herman Melville, William Dean Howells, Louisa May Alcott and Henry James was often shaped by the theatre scene of the day. Theatrical influences can be seen in their prolific and innovative use of theatrical metaphors and dramaturgical methods, for example.

These five writers were all avid theatre-goers, Ackerman said. "I'm interested in how these novels, lectures, poems and essays were structured by the artistic forces surrounding these authors. I want to bridge the gap between theatrical history and literary history."

"This study is valuable to people interested in the history of theatre and to people interested in the works of these writers," Ackerman said. "For example, Henry James, perhaps the greatest novelist of his generation, failed miserably in his attempts as a playwright. Still, he developed important theories about the theatre and these theories helped shape his fiction."

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# EVENTS



## LECTURES

### Perspective on the Evolution of Next Generation High-Capacity Systems.

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30**  
Richard Cowper, Nortel Networks. 1105 Sandford Fleming Building. 3:30 p.m.  
*Nortel Institute for Telecommunications*

### Serving the Book: A Bookseller's Perspective.

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30**  
David Mason, antiquarian bookseller. Alumni Hall, Victoria College. 4:15 p.m.  
*Centre for the Book and Friends of the Victoria University Library*

### Literacy in the Trenches: 100 Years of Frontier College.

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1**  
John O'Leary, Frontier College. 7-162 OISE/UT, 252 Bloor St. W. Noon. *Adult Education, Community Development & Counselling Psychology*

### Decreation: How Women Like Sappho, Marguerite Porete and Simone Weil Tell God.

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1**  
Prof. Anne Carson, McGill University; 1999 Samuel James Stubbs lecture. 140 University College. 4:30 p.m.

### Community Strategies to Secure Women's Rights.

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 6**  
Josephine Grey, Low Income Families Together; Popular Feminism series. 2-214 OISE/UT, 252 Bloor St. W. 8 p.m.  
*Women's Studies in Education, OISE/UT*

### Music Education Perspectives.

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7**  
Gino Falconi, retired co-ordinator of music, Toronto Board of Education; music alumni series. 330 Edward Johnson Building. Noon. *Music*

### Adult Education Under Scrutiny: A Review of the 20th Century; Talk Therapies in the 21st Century.

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 8**  
Prof. Em. James Draper, adult education, and Prof. Rick Volpe, Institute of Child Study. 7-162 OISE/UT, 252 Bloor St. W. Noon. *Adult Education, Community Development & Counselling Psychology*

### Dissecting the Pathways of Insulin Action Using Knockout Mice.

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9**  
Prof. Ronald Kahn, Harvard University; Charles Best lectureship and award. 2158 Medical Sciences Building. 4 to 5:30 p.m. *Physiology*

## COLLOQUA

### Software Radios.

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1**  
Prof. John Gutrag, Massachusetts Institute of Technology. 1105 Sandford Fleming Building. 11 a.m. *Computer Science*

### Spectrochemical Instrumentation and the "Thingyness" of Things.

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1**  
Prof. Davis Baird, University of South Carolina. 323 Old Victoria College. 4 p.m. *IHPST*

### Psychological Needs and the Self-Determination of Behaviour.

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1**  
Prof. Ed Deci, University of Rochester. 2110 Sidney Smith Hall. 4 p.m. *Psychology*

### Materialism With a Human Face.

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2**  
Prof. Lynne Baker, University of Massachusetts at Amherst. 179 University College. 4 p.m. *Philosophy*

### Children as Research Participants: Is Their Assent Ethically Necessary?

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2**  
Prof. Christine Harrison, Joint Centre for Bioethics; ethics evening discussion. 240 University College. 5:30 p.m. *Research Services*

### Density Functional Theory as a Practical Tool in Catalytic Studies.

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3**  
Prof. Tom Ziegler, University of Calgary. 158 Lash Miller Chemical Laboratories. 3:30 p.m. *Chemistry*

### Computational Mathematics.

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7**  
Prof. Edsger Dijkstra, University of Texas. 1105 Sandford Fleming building. 11 a.m. *Computer Science*

### Advances in Improbable Research.

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9**  
Marc Abrahams, *Annals of Improbable Research*. 102 McLennan Physical Laboratories. 4:20 p.m. *Physics*

### Polypyrrole Macrocycles, New Anion Binding Agents.

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10**  
Prof. Jonathan Sessler, University of Texas at Austin. 158 Lash Miller Chemical Laboratories. 3:30 p.m. *Chemistry*

## SEMINARS

### The Rise of Islamic Fundamentalism in the CIS.

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1**  
Igor Rotar, correspondent, *Nezavisimaya gazeta*. 14352 Robarts Library, 10 a.m. to noon. *Russian & East European Studies and York University*

### Tissue Engineering: From Dream to Reality.

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1**  
Prof. François Auger, Laval University. 116 Wallberg Building. 12:30 p.m. *Chemical Engineering & Applied Chemistry*

### Global Governance: The New Agenda for Environmental Policy.

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2**  
Maurice Strong, chair, Earth Council. Upper Library, Massey College. 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Registration: cis.general@utoronto.ca

### The Naqshbandis: The Development of a Sufi Brotherhood.

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2**  
Prof. Jürgen Paul, University of Hall-Wittenberg. Room 200B, 4 Bancroft Ave. 3 p.m. *Near & Middle Eastern Civilizations*

### Syphilis at the Cinema: U.S. Public Health Service VD Films of World War II.

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2**  
John Parascandola, U.S. Department of Health & Human Services; Hannah seminar for the history of medicine. Great Hall, 88 College St. 4 to 6 p.m. *History of Medicine*

### Variation in Life History of Walleye and Implications for Managing Walleye Fisheries.

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3**  
Nigel Lester, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources. 3127 South Building, U of T at Mississauga. Noon. *Erindale Biology*

### Moral Ambition Within Political Constraints: Reflections on Restorative Justice.

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3**  
Prof. Elizabeth Kiss, Duke University. 3050 Sidney Smith Hall. 2 to 4 p.m. *Political Science*

### Stochastic Models for Computer Graphics.

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7**  
Prof. Eugene Fiume, computer science. 230 Fields Institute, 222 College St. 4 p.m. *Fields Institute and Statistics*

### Russian State and Society in the Expansion of the Secondary School Network in the 1870s: A View From the Provinces.

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9**  
Marina Loskoutova, Central European University, Hungary. 14352 Robarts

Library. 4 to 6 p.m. *Russian & East European Studies*

### A Trill's a Thrill: Vocal Communication in Richardson's Ground Squirrels.

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10**  
Prof. Jim Hare, Brandon University. 3127 South Building, U of T at Mississauga. Noon. *Erindale Biology*

### Aging Minds, Aging Bodies: How Does One Keep in Shape?

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14**  
Gordon Winocur, Rotman Research Institute, and Prof. Robert Goode, physiology. Suite 106, 222 College St. Noon to 1:30 p.m. *Human Development, Life Course & Aging*

## MEETINGS & CONFERENCES

### Academic Board

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2**  
Council Chamber, Simcoe Hall. 4:00 p.m.

### Business Board.

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 6**  
Council Chamber, Simcoe Hall. 5 p.m.



## MUSIC

### FACULTY OF MUSIC EDWARD JOHNSON BUILDING

### World Music Ensemble.

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1**  
Japanese drumming, African drumming and dancing and Balinese gamelan. Main Lobby. Noon.

### Young Artists Recital Series.

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1**  
Katerina Tchoubar, soprano; Michèle Bogdanowicz, mezzo-soprano; and Stephen Ralls, piano. Walter Hall. 8 p.m.

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### "Dissecting the Pathways of Insulin Action Using Knockout Mice"

**Thursday, December 9, 1999**  
4:00-5:30 p.m.

Medical Sciences Building, Room 2158  
(McLeod Auditorium)

Reception to follow lecture  
Medical Sciences Building, Room 3227



# EVENTS

## Thursday Noon Series.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2  
William Aide, piano. Walter Hall. 12:10 p.m.

## Wind Symphony & Concert Band.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3  
Jeffrey Reynolds and Cameron Walter, conductors. MacMillan Theatre. 8 p.m. Tickets \$10, students and seniors \$5.

## Percussion Ensemble.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 6  
Robin Engleman, director. Walter Hall. 8 p.m.

## Vocal Students Performance.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7  
Featuring the outstanding students of the voice program. Walter Hall. 12:10 p.m.

## Jazz Series.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8  
A tribute to Trudy Desmond. Walter Hall. 8 p.m.

## U of T Symphony Orchestra & Chorus.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10  
Doreen Rao and Wayne Strongman, conductors. MacMillan Theatre. 8 p.m. Tickets \$10, students and seniors \$5.

## U of T Chamber Orchestra.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11  
Raffi Armenian, music director and conductor. Walter Hall. 8 p.m. Tickets \$10, students and seniors \$5.



## PLAYS & READINGS

### Camino Real.

WEDNESDAY TO SUNDAY,  
DECEMBER 1 TO DECEMBER 5  
By Tennessee Williams, directed by

Martin Hunter; presented by Graduate Centre for Study of Drama and Cri de Coeur. Studio Theatre, 4 Glen Morris St. Performances at 8 p.m. except Sunday 2 p.m. Tickets \$15, students and seniors \$10. Box Office: 978-7986.

## Michael Ondaatje and Anne Carson.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2  
Authors read from their poetry and prose, introduction by Sam Solecki; proceeds to Abelard School Scholarship Fund. Innis College Town Hall. 8 p.m. Tickets \$20. Call 978-5698. *Classics*

## The Importance of Being Earnest.

FRIDAY TO SUNDAY,  
DECEMBER 3 TO DECEMBER 5;  
THURSDAY TO SATURDAY,  
DECEMBER 9 TO DECEMBER 11  
By Oscar Wilde, directed by Linda Cahill; presented by Althea Productions. Leigha Lee Browne Theatre, U of T at Scarborough. Performances at 8 p.m. except Sunday 2 p.m. Subscription (two plays) \$18, students and seniors \$14. Information and reservations: (416) 812-6820.

## EXHIBITIONS

### NEWMAN CENTRE Mi Chung Choi.

TO DECEMBER 3  
Recent work in pastels. Ground floor.

### A Spiritual Christmas.

DECEMBER 6 TO FEBRUARY 4  
Works by David Rankine, Julia Pletneva, Bohdan Holowacki and Lynn McIlvride Evans. Ground Floor. Hours: Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### JUSTINA M. BARNICKE GALLERY HART HOUSE TO DECEMBER 9

Figurative Painting and Prints.  
Kathryn Jacobi, paintings and prints. East Gallery.

### Monarca Papalotl: Beyond Borders — sin fronteras.

Maria Lusía de Villa, mixed media. West Gallery. Gallery hours: Monday to Friday, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 1 to 4 p.m.

## UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO AT MISSISSAUGA Catastrophe.

TO DECEMBER 10  
David Hoffos, installation. Blackwood Gallery. Gallery hours: Sunday to Friday, 1 to 5 p.m.; Thursday 1 to 9 p.m.

## THOMAS FISHER RARE BOOK LIBRARY

All in the Golden Afternoon:  
The Inventions of Lewis Carroll.  
TO JANUARY 28  
Illustrated editions of *Alice in Wonderland*, *Alice Through the Looking Glass* and *the Hunting of the Snark* as well as other works by C.L. Dodgson; selections from the Joseph Brabant Collection. Hours: Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



## MISCELLANY

### 17th-Century Prison Poetry.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3  
Margaret McGeachy, English and CRRS fellow 1999-2000. 323 Pratt Library; Friday workshop. 3 to 5 p.m. *Reformation & Renaissance Studies*

### Féis Thoronto: A Celebration of Scottish Gaelic Culture.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4  
Four sessions with three concurrent workshops each. Carr Hall, St. Michael's College, 100 St. Joseph St. 9:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. Tickets \$30, students \$15; \$10 per session, students \$5; free to native speakers. Full program and information: Lorrie MacKinnon, (905) 844-4908. *Celtic Studies and Gaelic Society of Toronto*

## December 6th Memorial and Candlelight Vigil.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 6  
Memorial and candlelight vigil to honour all women who have died as a result of men's violence. Memorial: East Common Room, Hart House. Noon to 2 p.m.; candlelight vigil: Philosopher's Walk. 6 p.m. *Status of Women Office*

## Choosing Child Care That Works for Your Family.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7  
Covers types of care available, costs, evaluation of caregivers and other information parents need to make the best decision for their children. Family Care Office, Koffler Student Services Centre. Noon to 1:30 p.m. Registration: 978-0951 or family.care@utoronto.ca *Family Care Office*

## Maternity Leave Planning.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14  
Workshop with a practical approach to preparing faculty, staff and librarians for maternity leave and a successful return to work. Family Care Office, Koffler Students Services Centre. Noon to 2:30 p.m. Registration: 978-0951 or family.care@utoronto.ca *Family Care Office*

## DEADLINES

Please note that information for Events listings must be received in writing at The Bulletin offices, 21 King's College Circle, by the following times:

Issue of December 13, for events taking place Dec. 13 to Jan. 10: MONDAY, NOV. 29.

For information regarding the Events section call Ailsa Ferguson, 978-6981

# COMMITTEES

## REVIEW

DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY  
An external review committee has been established to review the department of geology Dec. 14 and Dec. 15. Members are: Professors Maria Luisa Crawford, department of geology, Bryn Mawr

College, Penn., and Stephen Kesler, University of Michigan.

The committee would be pleased to receive comments from interested persons. These should be submitted to Dean Carl Amrhein, Faculty of Arts & Science, Room 2020, Sidney Smith Hall.

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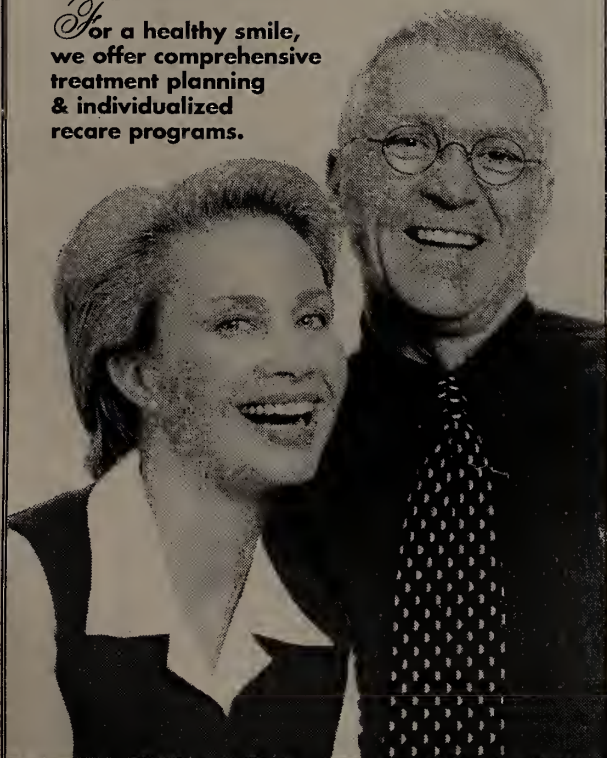
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# RARE APPEARANCE

*Four unique — and very expensive — Stradivaris thrill music students at U of T*

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**R**ECENTLY, FOUR OF THE MOST RARE AND COVETED musical instruments on earth were transported to the Faculty of Music for a very brief visit.

Thirty awestruck students got the chance to play a cello, a viola and two violins created by the legendary craftsman Antonio Stradivari who was born in Cremona, Italy, in the mid-1600s.

The "Strads," currently valued at \$50 million US, actually came to Toronto for the opening of the Via Saltzburg chamber music concert series. Security was

tight during the instruments' two-hour stop on campus, with four police officers and two curators from the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C., (where the instruments are kept under lock and key when not in use) in attendance.

But faculty teacher Mayumi Seiler, artistic director of Via Saltzburg, said all the planning and nail-biting precautions were worth it.

"Being able to actually play these beautiful instruments was such a unique opportunity for the students,"

Seiler said. "To hold an instrument that has been held by so many wonderful musicians down through the centuries was an inspiration for them."

Although Stradivari produced approximately 1,100 string instruments during his lifetime, only 630 survive and the cello, violins and viola brought to campus are part of an even rarer group of 11 that he personally decorated.

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